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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF "COMMENTS" MADE BY MOFA SPOKESMAN MARCH 29 IN RESPONSE TO U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S REMARKS CONCERNING ROK SUPREME COURT RULING ON MYONGDONG TRIAL:

2. "AS OUR POSITION HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE CLEAR, I HAVE NOTHING TO COMMENT SPECIFICALLY AT THIS TIME BUT THE FOLLOWING IS MY COMMENT ON THE SO-CALLED MYONGDONG CASE:

3. THE SUPREME COURT DECISION ON THE SO-CALLED MYONGDONG CASE IS THE FINAL VERDICT REACHED THROUGH THE DUE PROCESS OF LAW. THE COURT PASSED ITS JUDGEMENT, INDEPENDENT OF ANY OUTSIDE INFULENCE AND SOLELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION, THE RELEVANT LAWS AND CONSCIENCE OF ITS JUDGES. IN OUR SYSTEM THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE JUDICIARY IS GUARANTEED BY THE CONSTITUTION, AND IS NOT
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SUBJECT TO INTERFERENCE BY ANYONE. THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, BEING A CONSTITUTIONAL STATE, EVERY INDIVIDUAL CITIZEN OF THE REPUBLIC IS EQUAL BEFORE THE LAW."
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